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In re Patent Application of:  
William P. GOODWIN

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For: METHODOLOGY AND APPARATUS FOR  
SOLVING LOCKUP CONDITIONS WHILE  
TRUNKING IN FIBRE CHANNEL  
SWITCHED ARBITRATED LOOP SYSTEMS

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2007, for which a response was due on November 24, 2007, and for which a 1-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from November 24, 2007 to December 26, 2007 (the first business day following December 24, 2007), please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 8 of this paper.